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## WIRELESS TELECOMUNICATIONS BUREAU ACTION

## REGION 8 (NEW YORK – METROPOLITAN AREA) PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING COMMITTEES ANNOUNCE REGION 8 (700 MHz) REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING MEETING AND REGION 8 NPSPAC (800 MHz) REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING MEETING

The Region 8 (New York – Metropolitan area)<sup>1</sup> Regional Planning Committees announce two Region 8 Public Safety planning meetings.

On Thursday, January 8, 2004, the Region 8 700 MHz Regional Planning Committee meeting will convene at 10:00 a.m. at the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, 2 Gateway Center, 16SW, Newark, New Jersey.

The agenda for this meeting includes:

- 1. Review and Approve Agenda
- 2. Review and Approve November 6, 2003 Meeting Report
- 3. Interoperability (SIEC Reports)
  - a. New York State
  - b. New Jersey
- 4. 4.9 GHz Update Sean O'Hara
- 5. Regulatory Update Sean O'Hara

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The New York – Metropolitan area consists of Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Orange, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk, Sullivan, Ulster, Dutchess, and Westchester Counties, New York; and Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, Passaic, Sussex, Union, Warren, Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon, Mercer, and Monmouth Counties, New Jersey.

- 6. Working Group Activities
  - a. 700 MHz Technical Work Group Jack Robertson, WG Chair
  - b. 700 MHz Research WG Kenneth Link, WG Chair
  - c. 700 MHz Administrative and Writing WG Peter Meade, WG Chair
  - d. 4.9 GHz Technical Requirement WG Feliz Melendez, WG Chair
  - e. 4.9 Administrative and Writing WG Peter Meade, WG Chair

## 7. Old Business

- a. *Ex parte* filing to the FCC ET Docket 03-158; MB Docket 03-159 (Amendment of Parts 2, 73, 74 and 90 of the Commission's Rules to Permit New York Metropolitan Area Public Safety Agencies to Use Frequencies at 482-488 MHz)
- b. Comments to the FCC Regarding MB Docket 03-185 (Amendment of Parts 73 and 74 of the Commission's Rules to Establish Rules for Digital Low Power Television Booster Stations and to Amend Rules for Digital Class A Television Stations)
- 8. New Business/ Comments
  - a. FCC Comments Low Power Television Translators, Class A Television: Proposed Construction Permits; Report No. PGL03-6 Released: October 27, 2003
- 9. Schedule Next Meeting

On Thursday, January 8, 2004, the Region 8 800 MHz NPSPAC Regional Planning Committee meeting will convene immediately following the 700 MHz Regional Planning Committee meeting.

The agenda for this meeting includes:

- 1. Review and Approve Meeting Agenda
- 2. Review and Approve November 6, 2003 Meeting Report
- 3. Window 7 Status
- 4. Concurrence Requests Status
  - a. Region 19 Window 12 application modification review and revised Letter of Concurrence
- 5. Old Business
  - a. Application Requirements Guidelines
- 6. New Business/Comments
  - a. Essex County License Modification
  - b. Suffolk County License Modification
- 7. Schedule Next Meeting

Both of the Region 8 Public Safety Planning Committee meetings are open to the public. All eligible public safety providers whose sole purpose or principal purpose is to protect the safety of life, health, or property in the New York – Metropolitan area would utilize these frequencies. It is essential that not only public safety, but all government, Native American Tribal, and non-governmental organizations eligible under Section 90.523 of the Commission's

Rules be represented in order to ensure that each agency's future spectrum needs are considered in the allocation process. Administrators who are not oriented in the communications field should delegate someone with this knowledge to attend, participate and represent your agency's needs.

All interested parties wishing to participate in the planning for the use of new public safety spectrum in the 764-776 and 744-806 MHz band, or the newly allocated 4.9 GHz band within Region 8 are encouraged to attend. For further information, please contact:

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